

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION	FY 2006 REQUEST	GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
Highway Administration	\$ 22,998,175	\$ 27,296,171	\$ 26,370,464	\$ 26,566,724
Fringe Benefits	113,271,687	132,892,904	145,941,894	142,677,174
Fleet, Facilities & Information Systems	97,871,969	99,395,705	106,781,163	106,937,904
Highway Maintenance	284,541,049	296,421,526	343,127,214	344,486,223
Highway Construction	1,262,516,185	1,032,819,337	1,047,567,847	1,048,401,247
Mississippi River Parkway Commission	0	0	49,500	0
Multimodal Operations and Programs	46,110,386	54,945,545	68,431,140	58,322,706
DEPARTMENTAL TOTAL	\$ 1,827,309,451	\$ 1,643,771,188	\$ 1,738,269,222	\$ 1,727,391,978
General Revenue Fund	11,304,721	12,162,168	22,217,056	10,691,923
Federal Funds	43,116,626	53,276,877	57,441,372	57,439,612
Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund	342,933	300,000	325,000	325,000
Grade Crossing Safety Account	1,168,242	1,500,000	1,500,000	1,500,000
State Road Bond Fund	0	0	1	1
State Road Fund	1,409,707,576	1,170,965,263	1,565,498,314	1,648,456,354
State Highways and Transportation				
Department Fund	356,407,582	397,256,398	83,656,597	0
Railroad Expense Fund	632,205	881,401	833,363	832,405
State Transportation Fund	1,759,436	1,766,628	2,220,351	3,570,259
Light Rail Safety Fund	0	1	1	1
State Transportation Assistance				
Revolving Fund	372,001	550,000	550,000	550,000
Aviation Trust Fund	2,498,129	5,112,452	4,027,167	4,026,423
Full-time equivalent employees	6,933.95	6,688.25	6,990.20	6,990.20

POLICY SUMMARY

Governor Blunt's Fiscal Year 2006 budget provides a total of \$1.7 billion for the Department of Transportation. The department is responsible for overseeing all aspects of Missouri's transportation system. The core functions of the Department of Transportation include:

- Constructing and maintaining the state road and bridge system – a key component of state economic development efforts.
- Encouraging safety on Missouri highways for citizens and Department of Transportation employees.
- Providing capital improvement and operating assistance grants for rural and urban transit systems, public airports, ports, ferry boats, and passenger rail service.
- Registering commercial motor vehicles.

Protecting Missouri's Transportation Infrastructure

Missouri's geographic location makes the state a logical choice for a national transportation hub, capable of transporting vast amounts of domestic and international goods and passengers. For Missouri to reap the economic advantages of being a national transportation hub, however, the state's roads, bridges, rails, waterways, and aviation facilities must work together to create a cohesive transportation system that transports freight and passengers efficiently, quickly, and safely. In 2004, Missouri citizens, with Governor Blunt's support, approved Constitutional Amendment No. 3 to redirect a portion of the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax from the General Revenue Fund to the State Road Fund and further restrict usage of highway funds by other departments. Amendment No. 3 will increase funding available for transportation projects statewide including:

- An estimated \$180-\$190 million in additional revenue for roads and bridges when fully implemented.
- An estimated \$1.8 million in additional revenue to the State Transportation Fund for non-highway related transportation modes.

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POLICY SUMMARY (Continued)

Creating a cohesive transportation system requires a sound infrastructure that is adequately maintained. With the passage of Constitutional Amendment No. 3, the Highways and Transportation Commission has adopted a three-part plan for use of the additional revenues. The plan will make roads smoother; accelerate existing project commitments; and complete new, high-priority projects. An estimated \$400 million in bond proceeds will be spent over the next three years to upgrade 2,200 miles of Missouri's most heavily traveled roadways. For Fiscal Year 2006, Governor Blunt recommends:

- \$57.8 million State Road Fund for road and bridge construction and maintenance.
- \$4.3 million federal and other funds for transit planning, equipment, and operations.
- \$3 million State Road Fund for additional federal transportation enhancement projects.
- \$1 on an open-ended basis to utilize proceeds from bonds issued as a result of Amendment No. 3.

Maintaining Passenger Rail Service

Passenger rail service provided an alternate mode of transportation for over 162,000 passengers in Fiscal Year 2004. This service is particularly useful for people who do not have access to a personal vehicle, but have the need to travel between St. Louis and Kansas City. For Fiscal Year 2006, Governor Blunt recommends:

- \$200,000 to maintain daily, round-trip, passenger rail service between St. Louis and Kansas City.

Some performance measures the Department of Transportation uses to evaluate its goal of preserving and improving Missouri's transportation system to enhance safety and encourage prosperity follow:

	2001	2002	2003
Rate of vehicle accidents per 100 million miles traveled (state system only)	193.55	193.88	188.19
Rate of injury accidents per 100 million vehicle miles (state system only)	54.64	56.11	53.54
Rate of fatal accidents per 100 million vehicle miles (state system only)	1.50	1.69	1.72
Vehicle miles traveled annually (state system only)	47.5 billion	47.9 billion	47.9 billion
Percent of bridges that meet condition standards	85.8%	84.9%	85.0%

	2002	2003	2004
Amtrak ridership	188,800	167,245	162,446
Barge tonnage loaded/unloaded at Missouri ports	3,800,000	2,300,000	2,507,698
Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program – number of trips provided	4,356,938	4,571,277	4,692,004

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HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

This section includes divisions that support the operations of the Highways and Transportation Commission, as well as the central functions of the department such as accounting, risk management, financial planning, and human resource management. Also included in this section is the Office of Inspector General which is charged with oversight of all department expenditures.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$196,260 State Road Fund for pay plan.
- (\$698,408) State Highways and Transportation Department Fund and (two) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.
- (\$227,299) State Road Fund and (three) staff reallocated to various divisions.

FRINGE BENEFITS

This section includes the costs of providing medical and life insurance, retirement benefits, and workers' compensation for all Department of Transportation employees that are members of the Highway Employees and Highway Patrol Retirement System.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$10,724,474 federal and other funds for increased fringe benefit costs.
- (\$940,204) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level, including (\$23,053) general revenue.

FLEET, FACILITIES & INFORMATION SYSTEMS

This section consists of General Services and Information Systems. The General Services section provides fleet and facilities management, graphic services, procurement, and other special services. The Information Systems section oversees the department's information technology infrastructure and assists users of the system. Information systems are vital to the efficient day-to-day operations of the department.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$7,948,275 State Road Fund for service operations of the department.
- \$156,741 State Road Fund for pay plan.
- (\$500,000) State Highways and Transportation Department Fund and (36) staff reallocated to various divisions.
- (\$62,817) State Highways and Transportation Department Fund core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

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HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

The Highway Maintenance section maintains the state road system, public rest areas, and weigh stations. Projects such as road and shoulder rehabilitation, bridge repair and maintenance, snow and ice removal, and right-of-way mowing protect the state's transportation infrastructure and improve safety on Missouri roadways. This section also includes highway safety programs and the oversight of commercial motor vehicles throughout the state.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$44,916,034 State Road Fund and 319.95 staff for maintenance projects.
- \$2,293,098 State Road Fund for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).
- \$1,359,009 federal and other funds for pay plan.
- \$528,440 State Road Fund and 37 staff reallocated from various divisions in the department.
- \$25,000 Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund for the Motorcycle Safety Program.
- (\$560,850) State Highways and Transportation Department Fund core reduction for one-time expenditures.
- (\$496,034) federal and other funds and (16) staff in core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

This section oversees the state road construction program and such activities as land acquisition, contracting for road and bridge construction, monitoring of construction programs, and transportation enhancement activities.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$12,865,465 State Road Fund for construction projects.
- \$3,600,824 State Road Fund for payment of overtime to nonexempt employees as required by HB 1548 (2004).
- \$3,000,000 State Road Fund for transportation enhancement projects.
- \$1,449,539 State Road Fund for debt service on outstanding road bonds.
- \$833,400 State Road Fund for pay plan.
- \$198,859 State Road Fund and two staff reallocated from various divisions in the department.
- \$1 State Road Bond Fund on an open-ended basis to utilize bond proceeds for road and bridge projects.
- (\$6,366,178) State Road Fund core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MULTIMODAL OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS**

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

	FY 2004 EXPENDITURE	FY 2005 APPROPRIATION	GOVERNOR RECOMMENDS FY 2006
Multimodal Operations	\$ 5,889,213	\$ 6,916,834	\$ 6,883,400
Transit Programs			
Capital Assistance for Transportation of Elderly and Disabled Citizens	1,860,700	2,083,385	2,166,720
State Aid for Transportation of Elderly, Disabled, and Low-Income Citizens	2,709,991	2,793,805	2,943,732
Small Urbanized Transit	0	1	1
Small Urban and Rural Transportation	6,884,016	6,061,394	6,303,850
Public Transit Capital Grants	7,294,536	12,000,000	12,000,000
Transit Planning Grants	2,618,652	1,165,123	5,000,000
Railroad Programs			
Local Rail Service Assistance	0	1	1
State Amtrak Assistance	5,884,815	6,200,000	6,400,000
Amtrak Station Improvements and Advertising	25,001	25,000	25,000
Rail Equipment	0	1	1
Light Rail Safety	0	1	1
Railroad Grade Crossing Safety	1,168,242	1,500,000	1,500,000
Aviation Programs			
State Aid to Airports	2,089,769	4,600,000	3,500,000
Federal Aviation Assistance	9,389,951	11,000,000	11,000,000
Waterways Programs			
Port Authority Assistance	295,500	600,000	600,000
TOTAL	\$ 46,110,386	\$ 54,945,545	\$ 58,322,706
General Revenue Fund	11,228,263	12,057,019	10,609,827
Federal Funds	28,526,155	33,188,333	37,353,071
Grade Crossing Safety Account	1,168,242	1,500,000	1,500,000
State Road Fund	8,538	15,000	162,019
State Highways and Transportation Department Fund	137,932	145,563	0
Other Funds	5,041,256	8,039,630	8,697,789
Full-time equivalent employees	32.05	36.00	36.00

MULTIMODAL OPERATIONS

This section consists of the non-highway programs, including aviation, transit, rail, and waterways. The transit section provides financial and technical assistance to public transit and specialized transit providers across the state. This function is carried out through the administration of state and federal programs related to general public transportation, as well as specific transit programs for agencies serving senior citizens and/or persons with disabilities.

The rail section is responsible for improving freight rail services, passenger rail service, and railroad/highway grade crossing safety. The rail unit also prepares and implements a state rail plan and administers federal funds to increase safety at railroad crossings.

The aviation section oversees state and federal funding programs for airport maintenance and capital improvement projects. This section is also responsible for airport safety inspections, maintaining the state airport systems plan, and working with local governments to secure federal aviation funding.

The waterways section assists cities and counties in forming port authorities which foster local economic growth. It also provides technical assistance and a limited amount of capital and administrative funding to assist with port operations.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$16,566 for pay plan, including \$2,881 general revenue.
- (\$50,000) Railroad Expense Fund core reduction from the Fiscal 2005 appropriation level.

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MULTIMODAL OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS (Continued)

CAPITAL ASSISTANCE FOR TRANSPORTATION OF ELDERLY AND DISABLED CITIZENS

The transit section administers the federal Section 5310 program that provides assistance to local not-for-profit transportation providers and public entities serving the elderly and people with disabilities. These entities use the federal funds to match local funds for purchasing vehicles.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$83,335 federal funds for bus, van, and related equipment purchases by local, not-for-profit transit providers and public entities.

STATE AID FOR TRANSPORTATION OF ELDERLY, DISABLED, AND LOW-INCOME CITIZENS

The Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program provides operating assistance for not-for-profit transportation providers serving elderly and disabled Missourians. State funds are used to match local, private, and federal funds available to these providers.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$149,927 State Transportation Fund for operating assistance for not-for-profit transit providers.

SMALL URBANIZED TRANSIT ASSISTANCE

The federal Section 5307 program provides operating and capital assistance to public transportation systems in cities with populations between 50,000 and 200,000. These federal funds can be used as an offset for up to 50 percent of operating losses and up to 80 percent of capital expenses such as vehicle and equipment purchases.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

SMALL URBAN AND RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Federal funds authorized under Section 5311 are used to assist small urban and rural areas with a population less than 50,000. These federal funds can be used to offset up to 50 percent of operating losses/administrative expenses and up to 50 percent of capital expenses such as vehicle and equipment purchases.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$242,456 federal funds for operating assistance and capital expenses.

PUBLIC TRANSIT CAPITAL GRANTS

The federal Section 5309 program provides financial assistance to rural and urban transit operators. These funds can be used to purchase buses and bus-related facilities and equipment.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

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MULTIMODAL OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS (Continued)

PLANNING GRANTS

Federal funds available through the Section 5303 program enable metropolitan transit planning activities in seven metropolitan areas – St. Louis, Kansas City, Springfield, Columbia, St. Joseph, Joplin, and Jefferson City. This program supports demographic forecasting, corridor studies, transit service analysis, route and schedule evaluation, financial capacity analysis, special needs investigations, and transit management studies.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$3,834,877 federal funds for financial assistance to metropolitan transit planning organizations.

LOCAL RAIL FREIGHT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This program distributes federal financial assistance for acquisition, rehabilitation, improvement, or rail facility construction assistance. Program activities are contingent upon the availability of federal funding through Section 5 of the Department of Transportation Act.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

STATE PASSENGER RAIL ASSISTANCE AND STATION IMPROVEMENTS

Through the state Passenger Rail Assistance Program, Missourians are able to enjoy the benefits of service between Kansas City and St. Louis, with stops at various cities along the route. The state pays for a portion of the costs to run the twice-daily train route in addition to providing a small amount of assistance for station improvements.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$1,200,073 State Transportation Fund to continue twice-daily passenger rail service across the state.
- (\$1,000,073) core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

RAIL EQUIPMENT

As the federal government considers a nationwide system of high-speed rail transportation, federal funds may become available to states.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

LIGHT RAIL SAFETY

This program provides staff to investigate accidents involving the light rail system. The light rail operators bear the cost of this program through reimbursements for the state services.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

RAILROAD GRADE CROSSING SAFETY

This program provides state and federal resources to complete projects improving the safety of railroad grade crossings. The state funds come from a portion of the fee for motor vehicle licensing.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

Continue funding at the current level.

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MULTIMODAL OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS (Continued)

STATE AID TO AIRPORTS/FEDERAL AVIATION ASSISTANCE

This program uses state and federal funds for airport capital improvements; maintenance of runways, taxiways, and aprons; and for emergency repairs on safety-related items. The state portion of these projects is funded from the Aviation Trust Fund which receives the use tax collected on aviation fuel.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- (\$1,100,000) Aviation Trust Fund core reduction from the Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.

STATE AID TO PORT AUTHORITIES

This program provides a limited amount of assistance to local port authorities for administration, planning, and development activities. The active port authorities in Missouri are the Howard/Cooper County Regional Port Authority; Jefferson County Port Authority; Pemiscot County Port Authority; Southeast Missouri Regional Port Authority; Mississippi County Port Authority; New Madrid County Port Authority; New Bourbon Port Authority; St. Joseph Regional Port Authority; Lewis County-Canton Missouri Port Authority; and the Ports of Kansas City, St. Louis, and St. Louis County.

Fiscal Year 2006 Governor's Recommendations

- \$450,000 State Transportation Fund for operating assistance.
- (\$450,000) core reduction from Fiscal Year 2005 appropriation level.